

said second inset extends from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, said block comprising a protrusion on one of said top or bottom surfaces, said protrusion being configured to mate with an inset of one or more adjacently positioned blocks, said protrusion and insets having relative sizes and shapes adapted to permit relative rotation of the protrusion and the inset with which it is mated, whereby serpentine walls may be constructed from a plurality of such blocks.

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~~51~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said block ~~from~~ ^{front} surface is substantially planar.

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~~52~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said block front surface is faceted.

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~~53~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said block front surface is outwardly curving.

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~~54~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said protrusion is positioned adjacent at least one of said first and second insets.

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~~55~~. The block of claim ¹⁸~~54~~ wherein said protrusion extends along said block top surface between said first and second insets.

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~~56~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said block protrusion comprises first and second oblong sections between which is positioned a joining section, said joining section having a narrower width than either of said first and second oblong sections.

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~~57~~. The block of claim ²⁰~~56~~ wherein said block has an open central portion extending from said top surface to said bottom surface.

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~~58~~. The block of claim ¹⁴~~50~~ wherein said block comprises two protrusions.

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~~59~~. The block of claim ²²~~58~~ wherein said protrusions are positioned on said block top surface adjacent said first and second insets.

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~~60~~. A masonry block comprising a front surface and a back surface, a top surface and bottom surface, and first and second sides, said first side having a first inset wherein said first inset spans from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, said second side having a second inset, wherein said second inset spans from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, a protrusion on one of said block top or bottom surfaces, and, first and second anchoring legs, said first leg extending from said block first side and said second leg extending from said block second side, said protrusion and insets having relative sizes and shapes adapted to permit relative rotation of the protrusion and the inset with which it is mated, whereby serpentine walls may be constructed from a plurality of such blocks.

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~~61~~. The block of claim ²⁴~~60~~ wherein said block front surface is substantially planar.

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~~62~~. The block of claim ²⁴~~60~~ wherein said block front surface is faceted.

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~~63~~. The block of claim ²⁴~~60~~ wherein said block front surface is outwardly curving.

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~~64~~. The block of claim ²⁴~~60~~ wherein said block protrusion comprises first and second oblong sections between which is positioned a joining section, said joining section having a narrower width ^{than} ~~than~~ either of said first and second oblong sections.

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~~65~~. The block of claim ²⁴
~~60~~ wherein said block has an open central portion extending from said top surface to said bottom surface.

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~~66~~. The block of claim ²⁴
~~60~~ wherein said block comprises two protrusions.

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~~67~~. The block of claim ³⁰
~~68~~ wherein said protrusions are positioned on said block top surface adjacent said first and second insets.

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~~68~~. A retaining wall structure, said retaining wall structure comprising one or more courses, each of said courses comprising one or more masonry blocks, each of said blocks comprising a front surface and a back surface, a top surface and bottom surface, and first and second sides, said first side having a first inset wherein said first inset extends from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, said second side having a second inset, wherein said second inset extends from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, ~~a protrusion on one of said block top surface to said block top or bottom surface~~, a protrusion on one of said block top or bottom surfaces, wherein said protrusion is configured to mate with an inset of one or more adjacently positioned blocks, said protrusion and insets having relative sizes and shapes adapted to permit relative rotation of the protrusion and the inset with which it is mated, whereby serpentine walls may be constructed from a plurality of such blocks.

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~~69~~. The structure of claim ³²
~~68~~ wherein at least one of said blocks comprises first and second legs, said first leg extending from said block first side surface and said second leg extending from said block second side surface.

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~~70~~. The structure of claim ³³~~69~~ wherein said structure comprises at least an upper and an adjacent lower course wherein at least one of the blocks of said upper course or said lower course comprise insets which are mated with the protrusions of a block of said adjacent course.

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~~71~~. The structure of claim ³⁴~~70~~ further structure comprising a supporting matrix positioned between adjacent blocks of said upper and lower courses.

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~~72~~. The structure of claim ³⁵~~71~~ wherein said supporting matrix comprises tie backs positioned between the blocks of said upper and lower courses.

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~~73~~. The structure of claim ³⁵~~71~~ wherein said supporting matrix comprises a continuous webbing positioned between the blocks of said upper and lower courses.

74. A structure comprising the block of claim 50.

75. A structure comprising the block of claim 60.

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~~76~~. A masonry block comprising a front surface, a back surface, a top surface and bottom surface, and first and second sides, said first side having a first inset wherein said first inset extends from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, said second side having a second inset wherein said second inset extends from said block top surface to said block bottom surface, said block comprising a protrusion on one of said top or bottom surfaces, said protrusion being configured to mate with an inset of one or more adjacently positioned blocks, said protrusion and insets having relative sizes and shapes adapted to permit relative rotation of the protrusion and the inset with which it is mated, whereby serpentine walls may be constructed from a plurality of such blocks, wherein said blocks ^{are} capable of being used in a landscape structure without pins.

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37. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said block ~~from~~ ^{front} surface is substantially planar.

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38. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said block front surface is faceted.

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39. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said block front surface is outwardly curving.

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40. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said protrusion is positioned adjacent at least one of said first and second insets.

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41. The block of claim ⁴²~~40~~ wherein said protrusion extends along said block top surface between ^{said} first and second insets.

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42. The block of claim ⁴²~~40~~ wherein said block protrusion comprises first and second oblong sections between which is positioned a joining section, said joining section having a narrower width than either of said first and second oblong sections.

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43. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said block has an open central portion extending from said top surface to said bottom surface.

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44. The block of claim ³⁸~~36~~ wherein said block comprises two protrusions.

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45. The block of claim ⁴⁶~~44~~ wherein said protrusions are positioned on said block top surface adjacent said first and second insets.--

REMARKS

Applicant has now amended the specification in this application to specifically recite that the protrusion may also comprise a configuration such as those shown in Figs. 3(a) and 6(a) which were submitted in the last response to the Examiner's Action of July 31, 1995. Applicant requests reconsideration of